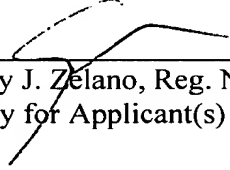


**REMARKS**

The above amendments were made in order to remove multiple dependencies. No new matter was added.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

*Please amend the claims as follows:*

3. (Amended) 17-Methylene steroids according to claim 1 [or 2], wherein one of radicals  $R^{20}$  and  $R^{20a}$  means a hydrogen atom or a methyl group, and the other radical means a fluorine, chlorine or bromine atom, an azido, cyano or rhodano group or hydroxymethyl.

4. (Amended) 17-Methylene steroids according to claim 1, [2 or 3,] wherein  $R^{10}$  stands for a hydrogen atom or a methyl group.

8. (Amended) Pharmaceutical compositions that contain at least one 17-methylene steroid according to claim 1, [2, 3, 4 or 5,] optionally together with pharmaceutically compatible adjuvants and vehicles.

9. (Amended) 17-Methylene steroids according to [one of claims 1 to 5] claim 1 for use as therapeutic active ingredients.

10. (Amended) Use of the compounds according to [one of claims 1 to 5] claim 1 for treatment of prostate diseases, alopecia of the male type, acne and hirsutism, for contraception in men and women and/or for inhibition of  $5\alpha$ -reductase.